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- 11. (U) MFA desk officer Yasuko Muller delivered Luxembourg's intended announcement details concerning new contributions for the Afghanistan National Army (ANA) trust fund and developmental aid to Pol/Econ Chief January 27 just before she departed for the London Conference.
- 12. (U) It is the GoL "intention to announce a new contribution of four million Euros (USD six million) to the ANA Trust Fund (2010)." Concerning development aid, GoL's "contribution for 2010 will amount to just over two and one half million Euros (slightly less than three million USD). This level of support will be sustained in the medium-term (2010-2014)."
- 13. (U) In all the GoL contribution from 2000 to 2010 totals 40 million Euros (USD 60 million) in addition to their participation in ISAF. (Note: Currently GoL has nine soldiers at the Kabul airport. End note.)
- 14. (S/NF) According to USDAO the Gol may increase the number of soldiers it sends to Afghanistan. An increase in their troop levels has not been announced publicly by GoL or confirmed privately. If a final decision to increase troop numbers has been made but is not yet ready for release, it may explain why Yasuko did not list the numbers for GoL troops in ISAF.
- 15. (U) POC this action is Pol/Econ Chief, Michael A. Via, viama@state.sgov.gov.
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